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AN ACT

To provide certain administrative authorities for the National Security Agency, and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 202 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended (5 U S C 1082), is amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a semicolon and adding the following new paragraph

"(32) the National Security Agency"

Sec 2 The Secretary of Defense (or his designee for the purpose) is authorized to establish such positions, and to appoint thereto such officers and employees, in the National Security Agency, as may be necessary to carry out the functions of such agency. The rates of basic compensation for such positions shall be fixed by the Secretary of Defense (or his designee for the purpose) in relation to the rates of basic compensation contained in the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, for positions subject to such Act which have corresponding levels of duties and responsibilities. Except as provided in section 4 of this Act, no officer or employee of the National Security Agency shall be paid basic compensation at a rate in excess of the highest rate of basic compensation contained in such General Schedule. Not more than fifty such officers and employees shall be paid basic compensation at rates equal to rates of basic compensation contained in grades 16, 17, and 18 of such General Schedule.

National Security Agency. Classification Act, exemption. 63 Stat. 954. Positions and rates.

5 USC 1071 note.

Supergrades.

Sec 3 Section 1581(a) of title 10, United States Code, as modified by section 12(a) of the Federal Employees Salary Increase Act of 1958 (72 Stat 213), is amended by striking out "and not more than fifty civilian positions in the National Security Agency," and the words "and the National Security Agency, respectively,"

70A Stat 118. Professional and scientific positions.

Sec 4 The Secretary of Defense (or his designee for the purpose) is authorized to establish in the National Security Agency not more than fifty civilian positions involving research and development functions, which require the services of specially qualified scientific or professional personnel, and fix the rates of basic compensation for such positions at rates not in excess of the maximum rate of compensation authorized by section 1581(b) of title 10, United States Code, as amended by paragraph (34)(B) of the first section of the Act of September 2, 1958 (72 Stat. 1456, Public Law 85-861).

Research and development positions.

70A Stat 118.

Sec 5 Officers and employees of the National Security Agency who are citizens or nationals of the United States may be granted additional compensation, in accordance with regulations which shall be prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, not in excess of additional compensation authorized by section 207 of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1949, as amended (5 USC 118h), for employees whose rates of basic compensation are fixed by statute.

Employment outside U.S.

73 Stat 63.
73 Stat. 64
62 Stat. 194.

Sec 6 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, nothing in this Act or any other law (including, but not limited to, the first section and section 2 of the Act of August 28, 1935 (5 USC 654)) shall be construed to require the disclosure of the organization or any function of the National Security Agency, of any information with respect to the activities thereof, or of the names, titles, salaries, or number of the persons employed by such agency.

Reporting requirements.

49 Stat. 956.

(b) The reporting requirements of section 1582 of title 10, United States Code, shall apply to positions established in the National Security Agency in the manner provided by section 4 of this Act.

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72 Stat. 213A.

Sec. 7 The total number of positions authorized by section 505(b) of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended (5 USC 1105(b)), to be placed in grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule of such Act at any time shall be deemed to have been reduced by the number of positions in such grades allocated to the National Security Agency immediately prior to the effective date of this section.

Effective date.

Sec. 8 The foregoing provisions of this Act shall take effect on the first day of the first pay period which begins later than the thirtieth day following the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved May 29, 1959.